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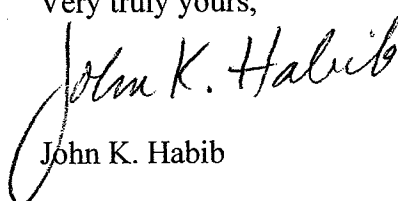
Re: D.T.E. 04-61 – Petition of Boston Edison Company and Commonwealth Electric Company for Approvals Relating to the Termination of Power Purchase Agreements with MASSPOWER

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed please find the third supplemental response of Boston Edison Company and Commonwealth Electric Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric (the "Companies") to RR-DTE-1 in the above-referenced proceeding. The third supplemental response merely references the full version of the Fall 2004 Henwood Power and Fuel Forecast, which is being filed in this proceeding as Attachment RR-DTE-1 (Supplemental) **CONFIDENTIAL BULK** in order provide the Department and the Attorney General with a complete version of this forecast for the record. Accordingly, the Company requests that the response and Attachment RR-DTE-1 (Supplemental) **CONFIDENTIAL BULK** be made part of the record in this proceeding. Because the forecast is confidential, it is being filed under separate cover with the Attorney General and the Hearing Officer only.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


John K. Habib

Enclosures

cc: Service List
Joan Foster Evans, Hearing Officer (2)
Colleen McConnell, Assistant Attorney General (2)

Record Request DTE-1 (Tr. 1, at 34)

Please provide a copy of the Fall-2004 Henwood Forecast and an update on the savings calculations that incorporates the Fall 2004 Henwood Forecast and the updates from Exhibit DTE-1-13, the updated transaction cost, and Exhibit DTE-1-3, the updated fuel price and escalation of that fuel price.

Third Supplemental Response

BULK CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

Please find attached Attachment RR-DTE-1 (Supp) **CONFIDENTIAL BULK**, which is a full version of the narrative report that has now been issued with the Fall 2004 Henwood Power and Fuel Forecast, received by NSTAR Electric on November 16, 2004. In addition to the Section 4 Assumptions and Fall Forecast data already provided to the Department and the Attorney General as Attachment RR-DTE-1 **CONFIDENTIAL** on November 4, 2004, this most recent version, which was not available to the Company on November 4, 2004 (nor published to the Company's knowledge), includes additional sections describing the contents of the forecast, and its underlying assumptions and methodologies. The attached version does not include a SEMA-RI zone forecast, which was requested separately by the Company and provided to the Department and the Attorney General as Attachment RR-DTE-1(a) **CONFIDENTIAL** on November 15, 2004 in this proceeding.

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CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS ENCLOSED

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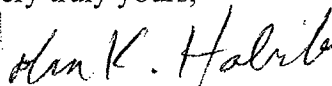
Enclosed please find the following supplemental confidential document of Boston Edison Company and Commonwealth Electric Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric (the "Companies") in response record requests in the above-referenced proceeding:

- RR-DTE-1 (Supplemental)(Att) **(CONFIDENTIAL) (BULK)**

Because this document contains specific competitively sensitive bid-related, financial or price forecast data that is proprietary and confidential, copies of this document are being filed only with the Hearing Officer, under seal, and with the Attorney General. A Motion for Protective Treatment with respect to this document and an affidavit in support thereof will be filed seeking protection of these and other forthcoming documents responsive to the discovery questions and record requests issued in this proceeding. Accordingly, the Companies request that the Department protect the document from public disclosure, pursuant to the terms of the forthcoming Motion for Protective Treatment.

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